

Crime Reduction Assistance Program

State Asset Forfeiture Grant - FY 2013 Legislative Update

(July 17, 2013)

Program Background:

- In 2004, S.B. 175, *Protection of Private Lawfully Obtained Property*, established the Crime Reduction Assistance Program.
- The program is intended to fund crime prevention and law enforcement activities.
- The Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice (CCJJ) is responsible for the administration of the Crime Reduction Assistance Program.
- CCJJ developed the State Asset Forfeiture Grant program (SAFG) in order to deliver state forfeiture funds collected in the **Criminal Forfeiture Restricted Account (CFRA)**.

Basic Statutory Reporting Requirements Include: The agency's name, the amount of the grant, the date of the grant, how the grant has been used, and a statement (grant application) signed by both the recipient agency's executive officer or designee and by the agency's legal counsel, that the agency has complied with all inventory, policy and reporting requirements and that all funds were used for crime reduction or law enforcement purposes. CCJJ shall report in writing to the legislative Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee annually.

The CFRA Account: State and local law enforcement agencies are required by law to liquidate assets forfeited in state court and deposit the cash from those assets in the state Criminal Forfeiture Restricted Account. Since the beginning of the SAFG grant program in FY2005 through the end of FY2013 approximately \$8.7 million has been collected in the CFRA account. CCJJ has awarded approximately \$6.5 million in grants from the CFRA during the same time period. The difference between the amount collected and the amount awarded will be granted to Utah criminal justice agencies in FY2014.

FY 2013 SAFG Grant Awards: CCJJ awards funding from the CFRA account to state and local criminal justice agencies in three purpose areas: 1) Drug Courts, 2) Drug & Crime Task Force projects, 3) Law Enforcement Competitive grants. Below is a summary of the projects funded from the CFRA for FY2013 (July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013):

1. **\$375,000** awarded to the Utah Department of Human Services - Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health in support of Utah Drug Courts. In FY 2013 SAFG funding was used for treatment, case management, and drug testing for Utah Drug Courts throughout the State. The Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health provides support for Adult Felony, Juvenile, and Family Dependency Drug Courts.
2. **\$213,000** awarded to the Davis and Utah County multi-jurisdictional drug and crime task force projects in FY 2013. Utah has Seventeen multi-jurisdictional drug and crime task force projects operating throughout the state this year. In addition to asset forfeiture funds, other state resources along with federal grant funds assist each of the task force projects.
3. **\$687,151** awarded to twenty-two (22) state and local law enforcement agencies using a funding formula based on agency participation in the state forfeiture process. The current formula allows an agency to apply for a grant award equal to at least 1/3 of the amount of state forfeiture funding remitted to CCJJ over a twelve month collection period. Agencies not contributing funding to the CFRA during the collection period will not be eligible to participate in the SAFG program that year. The base award amount was set at \$2,500 in FY2013. Grant funding was used primarily to provide

officer safety equipment, narcotics interdiction support, surveillance equipment, and to enhance crime scene investigation capabilities.

FY2013 Law Enforcement Support Grants Summary

Grant # and Recipient Agency	\$	Purpose
13N23 - Draper City PD	\$2,500	DARE workbooks and training material
13N26 - West Jordan City PD	\$2,566	Field glasses for officers
13N27 - West Valley City PD	\$21,418	Narcotics and tactical training
13N28 - Logan City PD	\$2,482	Camera for CSI work
13N29 - Utah Dept. of Public Safety	\$543,494	Records Management System (RMS) upgrade, crime lab equipment
13N30 - Salt Lake City PD	\$16,864	Cellular audio transmission system and narcotics training
13N35 - Murray City PD	\$2,500	Night vision monocular
13N38 - St. George City PD	\$3,100	Scopes and pry devices for vehicle drug searches, narcotics training
13N42 - Utah County Sheriff's Office	\$2,500	CSI cameras, utility trailer
13N44 - Unified Police Department	\$16,600	Surveillance equipment and narcotics training
13N47 - Cottonwood Heights City PD	\$12,452	Narcotics and SWAT training
13N49 - Lindon City PD	\$2,500	CSI cameras
13N53 - Orem City PD	\$2,500	K9 training and equipment
13N54 - So. Jordan City PD	\$7,080	Covert video/audio recording equipment
13N58 - Cache/Rich DTF	\$2,500	Surveillance pole camera
13N60 - Davis Metro DTF	\$24,046	Surveillance equip., patrol rifles, drug test kits, ballistic protect
13N64 - Weber/Morgan DTF	\$9,600	UNOA narcotics training
13N66 - Moab City PD	\$2,450	Surveillance cameras
13N69 - Carbon Metro DTF	\$2,500	Confidential informant funding
13N71 - Saratoga Springs City PD	\$2,500	Radar trailer
13N72 - Utah Attorney General's Office	\$2,500	GPS vehicle trackers and surveillance cameras
13N73 - Provo City PD	<u>\$2,500</u>	Surveillance cameras and installation
Total	\$687,151	

CFRA Collections FY 2005 through FY 2013

